

REMARKS

5 The Examiner stated that the amendment filed on 3-18-2003 canceling all claims drawn to the elected invention (elected by original presentation) and presenting only claims drawn to a non-elected invention is non-response (MPEP § 821.03).

Applicants thank the Examiner for the opportunity to address the issues presented by the Examiner. After carefully considering the specification, the original claims, the second set of claims present by the 3-18-2003 amendment, the
10 Examiner's statements, and MPEP §821.03, the Applicants amend the application to cancel all pending claims and to add a third set of claims.

Applicant respectfully requests the Examiner to consider the pending claims.

CONCLUSION

15 Thus, the applicants submit that none of the claims, presently in the application are obvious under the provisions of 35 U.S.C. §103. Consequently, the applicants believe that all these claims are presently in condition for allowance. Accordingly, both reconsideration of this application and its swift passage to issue are earnestly solicited.

20 If, however, the Examiner believes that there are any unresolved issues requiring adverse final action in any of the claims now pending in the application, it is requested that the Examiner telephone or Eamon J. Wall, Esq. at (732) 530-9404 so that appropriate arrangements can be made for resolving such issues as expeditiously as possible.

Respectfully submitted,

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